# King County Parks Your King County Big Backyard

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# **ProjectNewsletter**

King County Parks - Your Big Backyard: We're at work so you can play!

## What's happening at **Sammamish Landing Park?**



The City of Sammamish is currently building a parking lot for the Sammamish Landing Park. This new lot will feature 35 parking spaces on the east side of Lake Sammamish Parkway. The parking lot will also include stairs and ramps that connect to Sammamish Landing Park and the East Lake Sammamish Trail.

### **Community outreach**

- For questions or more information about construction, call the 24/7 project hotline: 1-888-668-4886 or e-mail **ELST@kingcounty.gov**. King County will respond within one business day.
- Visit the website: www.kingcounty.gov/ eastlakesammamishtrail for project information and weekly construction updates.
- Look for upcoming project newsletters to stay informed of current construction activity.

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**North Sammamish** 

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## North Sammamish construction underway

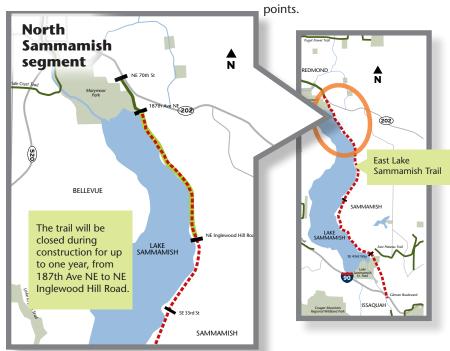
The North Sammamish segment of the East Lake Sammamish Trail, from 187th Avenue Northeast to Northeast Inglewood Hill Road closed April 21 for approximately one year while King County upgrades the trail. Safety and accessibility for all users will be improved with a new 12-foot-wide paved trail that includes two-foot soft surface shoulders on each side, enhanced intersections, clear sight lines, and improved drainage.

#### **Construction progress**

Work crews prepared the area for trail construction by staking the project limits, removing trees and clearing vegetation, and installing erosion control measures, safety fencing, barricades and signs to clearly identify the construction zone.

#### What's next?

In the coming weeks, crews will continue working in multiple areas along the trail: constructing retaining walls, installing the drainage system, and fish passable culverts, and grading and widening the trail. Access to private properties will be maintained throughout construction, and trail neighbors will be notified when crews are working near driveways or other access



#### The trail is closed and considered a construction zone



Safety is King County's top priority during construction. Due to the extensive amount of work within the narrow corridor, steep terrain, and limited access, this segment will be closed and considered a construction zone for approximately one year. Closing the trail allows crews the opportunity to safely conduct multiple activities at the same time. The construction zone is clearly marked wit orange fencing, signs, and barricades. A King County Sheriff's Deputy will be onsite during construction to help maintain safety for the public and construction crews.

We appreciate your patience during construction!

### **Construction** areas

Weekly construction updates will be posted to the project website and include a schedule of planned construction activities for the upcoming three weeks. The location of specific activities are identified by stations labeled in the construction plans. The contractor has divided the corridor into five

work areas (see map below). Construction stations are labeled every 50 feet on the plans and identify work areas. If you would like help identifying the station number closest to your property, please contact the project hotline at 1-888-668.4886 or email ELST@kingcounty.gov.

Please note: Crews will be working in multiple areas at the same time.



## **Spotlight: Construction monitoring**

King County uses a variety of methods to monitor construction activity, including employing inspectors, surveyors, biologists, arborists, and geotechnical, structural and civil engineers. These professionals are trained to observe and monitor construction activity for contract compliance, and safety and to ensure all work occurs within the construction area. Crews are also installing equipment to measure vibration along the trail corridor as a result of construction activities. This monitoring process will let King County know if alternative construction methods should be considered.



Crews installing vibration monitoring equipment.

## **Construction progress**





Crews installing culverts along the project corridor.



**Future Phases** (pending funding availability)

## **Trail Timeline**

### 1998 King County

# Interim Use Trail

## April 2006 and opened to the

May 2010 Plan Trail EIS

May 2011

Nov. 2011

final design phase

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# June 2013

# 2014

# **April 2014**

# Construction of SE 43rd Way to

# Construction of

Inglewood Hill Rd. Hill Rd.

# Construction of

Landscaping and

**King County's** 

**Permit Process** 

We've heard from trail neighbors who

are interested in planting additional

landscaping within the King County right-of-way. Once construction is complete, trail neighbors can apply

for a Special Use Permit (SUP) to plant

and maintain landscaping within King

County right-of-way next to the trail.

Additional information about the SUP and a pre-application are available on

the project website: www.kingcounty. gov/eastlakesammamishtrail. King County Parks recommends native plants specified in the Regional Trails System Development Guidelines, Landscape

Characterization Study available project website: www.kingcounty.gov/

eastlakesammamishtrail

**Special Use** 

#### Construction South Sammamish South Sammamish parking lot and of parking lot restroom facilities and restroom SE 33rd St. to NE at NE Inglewood facilities at